purpose of improving or injuring the prospects of an applicant or eligible for appointment. OPM will cancel the application or eligibility of an applicant or eligible who violates this section, and will impose such other penalty as it considers appropriate.

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Subpart A—General Provisions

§ 332.101 General policy of competition.

- (a) Examinations for entrance into the competitive service shall be open competitive, except that OPM may authorize noncompetitive examinations when sufficient competent persons do not compete.
- (b) An examination for promotion, demotion, reassignment, transfer, or reinstatement may be a noncompetitive examination.

§ 332.102 Definitions.

In this part:

Active military duty has the meaning given that term in 5 CFR 211.102(f).

Certificate means a list of eligibles from which an appointing officer selects one or more applicants for appointment.

Objection means an agency's request to remove a candidate from consideration on a particular certificate.

Pass over request means an objection filed against a preference eligible that results in the selection of a non-preference eligible.

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Subpart B [Reserved]

Subpart C—Period of Competition and Eligibility

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§ 332.301 Termination of eligibility.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a person's eligibility on a register is terminated when:
- (1) He accepts a career or career-conditional appointment from the register; or
- (2) OPM terminates the eligibility of all persons on the register.
- (b) OPM may determine that in particular types of cases eligibility may not be terminated in less than 1 year. OPM shall publish the conditions under